

AN ORDINANCE

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APPROVING AND ENDORSING THE SAN ANTONIO REGIONAL REVISIONS OF THE TEXAS STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR AIR QUALITY THAT INCLUDES LOWER REID VAPOR PRESSURE GASOLINE, CONTROLS ON DEGREASING OPERATIONS, AND STAGE I VAPOR RECOVERY AS LOCAL EMISSION CONTROLS, ANTICIPATED BY THE EARLY ACTION COMPACT, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE AREA'S "CLEAN AIR PLAN," A REGIONAL AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO EARLIER BY THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

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WHEREAS, in December, 2002, the City of San Antonio joined the Early Action Compact ("Clean Air Plan for the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area"), signed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and approved by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); and

WHEREAS, the Early Action Compact sets forth the protocol endorsed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the TCEQ to develop and implement control strategies no later than December 31, 2005, the main principles of which are as follows: 1) early planning, implementation, and emission reductions leading to expeditious attainment and maintenance of the 8-hour ozone standard; 2) emissions inventories and modeling to demonstrate attainment of the standard by 2007; 3) local control of the measures to be employed, with broad based public input; 4) state support to ensure technical integrity of the Early Action Compact; 5) formal incorporation of the Early Action Compact into the State Implementation Plan; 6) deferral of the effective date of non-attainment designation and related requirements so long as all Early Action Compact terms and milestones are met; and 7) safeguards to return areas to traditional State Implementation Plan requirements, should Early Action compact terms and/or milestones be unfulfilled, with appropriate credit given for emission reduction measures implemented; and

WHEREAS, it is now time for the City to honor its commitment to the Early Action Compact, in comportment with findings and recommendations of the Air Improvement Resources Committee (AIRCo), an ad hoc committee staffed by the Alamo Area Council of Governments; and

WHEREAS, the AIRCo recommends the following local emission control strategies as revisions to the State's Implementation Plan (SIP): Stage I Vapor Recovery, Lower Reid

Vapor Pressure (RVP) Gasoline, and Commercial Degreasing Controls; **NOW THEREFORE;**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

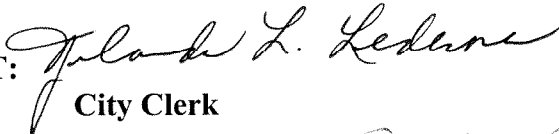
SECTION 1. In honoring the Early Action Compact (Clean Air Plan), the City Council of the City of San Antonio hereby approves those local emissions control strategies recommended by the AIRCo (Air Improvement Resources Committee) of the Alamo Area Council of Governments, which strategies are recommended as revisions to the State of Texas SIP (State Implementation Plan) for air quality compliance, which SIP is further required by federal law. Said recommended controls are Stage I Vapor Recovery Systems, Lower Reid Vapor Pressure Gasoline, and Commercial Degreasing Controls. By this Ordinance, the City of San Antonio approves and endorses those proposed revisions to the State Implementation Plan and requests the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality perform rulemaking necessary to enforcement.


SECTION 2. No fiscal impact will be forthcoming as a result of the passing of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be effective on February 22nd, 2004.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of February, 2004.


M A Y O R
EDWARD D. GARZA

ATTEST: 
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: 
for City Attorney